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EIGHT BELLS AND ALL IS WELL AT HAMPTON ROADS NAVAL MUSEUM

Norfolk, VA (CNRMA) –The Hampton Roads Naval Museum and Nauticus, the National Maritime Center, are co-sponsoring educational activities to celebrate the end of daylight- saving time on Sunday, October 31, 2004 from noon until 5:00 p.m.

"Exploring Time" is the theme for this year's event. Throughout the day, educators from the Hampton Roads Naval Museum will be onboard the battleship USS Wisconsin, demonstrating the centuries-old military time keeping system, "Eight Bells and All is Well", a tradition that remains in place today.

Nauticus will host a new exhibit called "Playing with Time". The exhibit invites visitors to experiment with high-speed photography, time-lapse videos, natural records of change like eroded rocks and lake cores, and other "time-shifting" techniques. The exhibit will be on display through January 2, 2005.

Children are encouraged to dress in their Halloween costumes to trick-or-treat for prizes.

The Hampton Roads Naval Museum, on the downtown Norfolk Waterfront, is one of eleven U.S. Navy museums. Admission to the Hampton Roads Naval Museum and its chief artifact, USS Wisconsin, is free.

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MEDIA NOTE: Media desiring interviews, photo/b-roll opportunities regarding this event may contact JO2(SW) Jackey Bratt at 322-2855.